

## ¶54.3 "MORNING-HOUR DEBATE"

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BALLENGER, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 21, 1997, recognized Members for "morning-hour debate".

## ¶54.4 RECESS—1:02 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BALLENGER, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2 o'clock p.m.

## ¶54.5 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. UPTON, called the House to order.

## ¶54.6 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. UPTON, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, June 5, 1998.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

## ¶54.7 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

9529. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Peanut Crop Insurance Regulations; and Common Crop Insurance Regulations, Peanut Crop Insurance Provisions (RIN: 0563-AA85) received June 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9530. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting his requests for FY 1999 budget amendments totaling \$294 million for programs that are designed to strengthen our ability to deter and respond to terrorist incidents involving the use of biological or chemical weapons, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1107; (H. Doc. No. 105—270); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

9531. A letter from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report entitled "Report to Congress on the Use of the DoD Laboratory Revitalization Demonstration Program," pursuant to Public Law 104—106; to the Committee on National Security.

9532. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Leverage Capital Standards: Tier 1 Leverage Ratio [Regulation Y; Docket No. R-0948] received June 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9533. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers [Docket No. 87F-0162] received June 1, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9534. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

9535. A letter from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting reports on uncontrolled treaty-limited equipment, pursuant to section 2, paragraph 5(e) of the Resolution of Ratification of the CFE Flank Document; to the Committee on International Relations.

9536. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9537. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting the semiannual report to Congress of the Inspector General of the Department of Education for the period October 1, 1997, through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9538. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9539. A letter from the Interim District of Columbia Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Review of the Financial and Administrative Activities of the Boxing And Wrestling Commission For Fiscal Years 1996 and 1997," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47—117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9540. A letter from the Chairman, District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting the Financial Plan and Budget for the District of Columbia for Fiscal Year 1999, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1—732 and 1—734(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9541. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's fiscal year 1997 financial report on the Treasury Forfeiture Fund, pursuant to Public Law 102—393, section 638(b)(1) (106 Stat. 1783); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9542. A letter from the Acting Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting a monthly listing of new investigations, audits, and evaluations; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9543. A letter from the Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the report from the Acting Inspector General covering the activities of his office for the period of October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9544. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the semiannual report of final actions of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9545. A letter from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9546. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule—Reduction In Force Retreat Right (RIN: 3206-AG77) received June 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9547. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the semiannual reports of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation and the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursu-

ant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9548. A letter from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9549. A letter from the Director, United States Information Agency, transmitting the semiannual report on activities of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, also the Management Report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9550. A letter from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9551. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Blowout Preventer (BOP) Testing Requirements for Drilling and Completion Operations (RIN: 1010-AC37) received June 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9552. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting a proposed plan related to the use and distribution of the judgement awarded to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in Docket Nos. 18-E, 58 and 364, before the Indian Claims Commission, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 1403 (b); to the Committee on Resources.

9553. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Shrimp Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Data Collection [Docket No. 980513127-8127-01; I.D. 050598A] (RIN: 0648-AL15) received June 2, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9554. A letter from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Regional Nonindigenous Species Research and Outreach and Improved Methods for Ballast Water Treatment and Management: Request for Proposals for 1998 [Docket No. 980415097-8097-01] (RIN: 0648-ZA40) received June 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9555. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Community Development Quota Program [Docket No. 970703166-8129-03; I.D. 060997A] (RIN: 0648-AH65) received June 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9556. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Disclosures [Docket No: 960828235-8109-02] (RIN: 0651-AA88) received May 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9557. A letter from the Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trade-